



Arlington Uncle Sam Committee Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2014

Second Floor Town Annex Conference Room

Present:

Laurie McKinney, Chair
Zarina Memon, Secretary
Andrew O'Brien, Member
Elsie Fiore, Member

Proceedings:

- Meeting *called* to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair.
- August 26 and September 23 meetings were reviewed and approved.

- **Chair's Report:**

ATED Visitors Building

- They need more buttons and flyers, but we need financial resources to provide them with material resources.
- Need a mission statement: To promote the appreciation and awareness of the real Mr. Samuel Wilson that lived in Arlington MA during the revolutionary period and his contribution to the 1775 revolution and later as a respected member of the civil community and the basis of the caricature Uncle Sam.

Town Day Donations/collections

- Need to contact the Finance committee on this detail- we could use the Arlington Credit Union to deposit the donations

Statue restoration

- Find a vendor – Laurie will call around
- Will need about \$8 – 10 K – need to procure this in one lump sum or \$2,500 over 3-4 years.

Social Media

- Andy will contact the town webmaster to get our webpage on track
- Zarina's husband Ken can help the webmaster complete this project

Mural

- Gregg Bernstein (from? Allston) probably would be the artist – cost will be \$30K, will need some AHS students to help artist, would probably take 1 ½ months to complete this, plan to initiate this in the summer of 2015.
- This was mentioned to ATED's Roly Chaput and Ted Peluso, who really liked the idea!

Young Uncle Sam/Samuel Wilson

- Needs club
- Need pamphlets to be created

Finance committee

- Need money for purchase of Uncle Sam Books that the visitor booth or town website can sell
 - Buttons – need 1,000 buttons each @ \$0.35 (total cost ~ \$500).
 - Statue restoration as mentioned above
 - Flyers/pamphlets – not discussed in detail.
 - Website to design and buys a site.
- Next meeting scheduled for November 25, 2014 at 7 p.m. This will be the last meeting of the year and the next one following is proposed for January 13, 2015.
- Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.
 - Minutes submitted by Secretary, Zarina Memon